

Claim #17 Tamar Taylor

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Under Article 11. Treaty of 11<sup>th</sup> June 1866.  
with Creek Indians.

The undersigned, Tamar Taylor, a  
free woman, of color, of the Creek nation, and loyal refugee,  
aged 35, and unmarried, being duly examined and  
sworn, (she understanding and conversing in the English  
language,) deposes and says: Whilst living on her place  
at Smith's Mill, Canadian District, Creek Nation, and  
sometime in the month of September 1862, she was in  
order to save her life) compelled to fly from, and abandon  
her home in the night time, and was fired upon by  
the rebels in so doing: that she succeeded in reaching  
the Refugee Camp at Gibson, and remained there, cooking  
and washing for Officers, until the close of the war, when  
she returned to the Nation. Further: at the time of  
her flight from home as aforesaid, she owned and had  
in possession, and necessarily abandoned and lost, all  
the property hereinafter named, and never afterwards  
received the same, or any part thereof. To Say:

6	Six Horses	at \$50. each	at \$40 Each.	\$ 240.00
6	Six Cows and Calves.	" \$12 "	"	72.00
13	Thirteen Hogs.	" \$6 "	"	78.00
Lot	Poultry 100 Chickens.	\$ 25.00	40 Ducks.	\$ 15.00
			12 Geese.	\$ 6.00
				46.00
"	House furniture, beds, bedding &c. &c			225.00
				\$ 991.00.
	making a total value of			
	Six hundred and ninety one dollars.			



Further this deponent saith not.  
Tamar Taylor,

her  
X  
mark

Subscribed & sworn to before me at the Creek  
Agency, Ok. this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1869.

*[Signature]*  
H. P. Oct. Inf. Asst. Supt. Ind. Affs. Sec. Suplcy

The undersigned, Jesse Franklin &  
Sam Prince, Freedmen of the Creek Nation, being jointly,  
duly examined and sworn, depose and say: They are not  
interested in the claim of Tamar Taylor in any pecuniary  
manner whatever, that they have heard the foregoing  
affidavit read to them, and know its contents to be correct  
and true. These deponents further say, that of their own  
knowledge, the said Tamar did, at the time of her flight,  
own and possess, and did necessarily abandon and  
lose all the property set forth in her deposition, and in  
the manner depored by her.

Further these deponents do not say.

Jesse Franklin,

his  
X

Sam Prince,

his X  
mark

Subscribed & sworn to before me at the Creek  
Agency, Ok. this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1869.

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## Awards

The loss of property specified above is deemed established by the foregoing testimony. - Also, the status of claimant. - The amount claimed, however, is, in some instances, considered excessive. - Upon inquiry, it is found, the value of the different kinds of property at the time the loss occurred, ruled as follows:-

Horses, -	\$ 15.00 Each. -
Cows & calves. -	8.00 ..
Hogs. -	2.00 ..
Poultry: Chickens -	12.12½ ..
Ducks. -	25 ..
Geese. -	50 ..

and for the following one-half the claimed value:-

House-furniture, beds, bedding, &c. \$ 112.50

In consideration of these, and all other facts, attainable, bearing upon the case, we believe it just and equitable to award this claimant Tamar Taylor Three hundred and five dollars. -

\$ 305.00  
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*[Signature]*

Prvt. Maj. Genl. U.S.A. Supt. Ind. aff. So. District

*[Signature]*  
Captain U.S. Army.  
Creek agent.